

500 American Flags Are Floating On French Front

PARIS, May 10.—Five hundred "old glories" are fluttering on French battle fronts today. The enemy in his trenches "across the great divide" does not have to strain his eyes to see the Stars and Stripes flapping in the breeze on the most conspicuous parts of the 500 ambulances of the American ambulance field service, now with the French armies. Driving the ambulances, literally composing the advance guard of the American armies, are 500 young Americans from almost every state in the Union. From now on the American ambulance service is prepared to augment its army of ambulances by one section a week—from 25 to 30 Ford cars in a section. As each car rumbles away from the Paris headquarters at 21 Rue Baynaud, an American flag is firmly fixed on the top, where the enemy will have no difficulty in seeing that he is now fighting more than the famous French tricolor on those parts of the front held by the French.

The first section to carry the flag to the front was commanded by A. L. Henderson, of New York City, a volunteer from Harvard. The personnel included: Myron C. Wick, Youngstown, Ohio, of Yale; Charles E. F. Clark, Detroit, University of Michigan; David W. Guy, St. Louis, Princeton University; Clinton Jones, Waco, Texas, University of Texas; and Keith Vohsberg, Arcata, Calif., University of California.



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British And Germans Deadlocked At Fresnoy, French Widen Wedge In Region Of Vauclerc

DELAY ON WAR BILLS BLOCKS ACTION BY THE GOVERNMENT

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 10.—Congressional delay on all war emergency measures has tied the hands of the government in its plan of co-operation with the allies. The selective service army bill continues to be jostled about in conference with no indication that the conferees will reach an agreement that both house and senate will accept.

The revenue bill, raising \$1,800,000,000 by taxation, started on its way through the house, will probably require several more days of discussion and the senate is expected to masticate it some two or three weeks before swallowing.

The shipping bill is still in embryo despite the pressing demands for ships.

No one can hazard a guess how long it will take to get a food control bill through congress. There are as many propositions on this important question as there are members in the two legislative bodies. And most of them differ widely as to the best remedy.

Meanwhile debate was resumed today on the Gregory espionage bill—the mails and censorship sections being still up for disposition. An attempt was made to secure a vote on the measure by limiting debate—late this week or the first of next.

The espionage bill, drawn by Assistant Attorney General Warren at the direction of Attorney General Gregory, continues the object of violent attack in the senate. When it is finally disposed of the way will be pretty well cleared for action on some of the big war measures pending.

ADJUTANT GENERAL SEEKS INFORMATION FOR OHIO TROOPS

COLUMBUS, May 10.—Adjutant General Wood today was in Washington supposedly for two purposes:

To discuss with war department officials the appointment of a major general who will command Ohio's proposed new division of militia, and selection of a brigadier general for the new third brigade.

To settle one way or the other the persistent report from Washington that Ohio national guardsmen will not be mobilized before July 1, at the earliest.

Meanwhile the committee appointed here by Wood to inspect proposed sites for the Ohio-West Virginia conscript training camp, left this morning for Zanesville to look over a Muskingum county tract. The committee will also attempt to reach Washington C. H. today where another site has been offered.

Later the committee will inspect a 1000 acre tract just east of Shadeville, which is under consideration.

Urgent need for more naval militia resulted today in announcement here that Ohio will raise a complete new battalion of naval volunteers. Captain T. B. Bolton, formerly commander of the U. S. S. Dorothea at Cleveland, has been restored to active service and detailed to recruit the volunteers. His main office will be at Cleveland, it was announced.

NOW IT'S SWEDEN FOR BERNSTORFF

COPENHAGEN, May 10.—Germany is so concerned about the recent tremendous increase in pro-ally sentiment in Sweden—due to America's entry into the war—that she is probably going to send her most expert propagandist there as ambassador. He is Count Von Bernstorff, formerly envoy to Washington.

This decision was persistently reported in advices today from Berlin. It came upon the heels of other authoritative reports that Bernstorff was slated to succeed Zimmermann as foreign secretary, in pursuance with a German governmental plan to seek a reconciliation with America. That Berlin should have abandoned Zimmermann's replacement and such a course to utilize Bernstorff in the capacity of envoy to Sweden was taken here to indicate the vast importance Berlin attaches to the pro-ally sentiment crystallizing here.

There is no mistaking the development of this trend of public feeling in Sweden. It is particularly strong among the farming classes.

Bullecourt Is Another Storm Center For Teutons And English

LONDON, May 10.—Fresnoy was still the scene of a tremendous tug of war between British and German forces today.

Fighting doggedly the British had managed to retrieve a part of their loss in the German recapture of the villages Saturday, but today the big mass of reserves disposed there by Hindenburg were contesting every inch of the way. The Germans evidently regard Fresnoy as a key to Douai which is itself one of the main German depot points behind the Hindenburg line, and propose to stop further British progress there with every resource at their command.

Bullecourt was another storm center of fighting through most of the night and early today.

On the French front General Nivelle's forces were apparently making progress out of Gruenne, despite violent German counterattacks.

LONDON, May 10.—With the British offensive temporarily deadlocked around Fresnoy and Bullecourt, Field Marshal Haig struck in a new direction today, and captured a portion of the German front and support lines south of the Seneche river, just south of Lens. His official report today announced the capture of a number of prisoners.

PARIS, May 10.—More gains by General Nivelle's French troops in repulsing an attack in the region of Chevrenx and a widening of the French wedge on the German lines across the northern slope of the plateau of Vauclerc were detailed in today's official statement.

German counterattacks of great force were struck during the night against several parts of the French lines along Chemin des Dames, this war office said. All were successful. The most powerful of these blows was upon the positions taken by the French in the region of Chevrenx. So successful were their assaults that they moved forward themselves. Capture of a fortified German position was announced in the official statement as the net result.

On the northern slope of the plateau of Vauclerc, the French succeeded in widening their grip, struck in a new direction today, and captured a number of prisoners. There were patrol and skirmish engagements all along the remainder of the front.

MONDAY DATE SET FOR NEW PEACE OFFER

COPENHAGEN, (Via London,) May 10.—A special dispatch received here from Berlin says Dr. Van Behrman-Hollweg, the imperial German chancellor, will answer a peace interpellation in the reichstag Monday.

VAWTER ACQUITTED: "UNWRITTEN LAW" IS UPHELD IN VIRGINIA

CHRISTIANBURG, Va., May 10.—The "unwritten law" today was still the supreme law of Virginia. No Virginian has ever been convicted who relied on it to save him.

Charles E. Vawter was declared innocent of crime in taking the life of Stockton Beth, Jr., for intimate relations with Mrs. Vawter. The jury was out two hours and a half.

Mrs. Vawter, who "atoned for her sins" by laying bare her shame to save her husband, today looked forward to a new life in a new locality.

Vawter was considering offering his services in the engineering division of the army soon to start for France.

Germany Owes The Allies 160 Billion Indemnity

PARIS, May 10.—By the end of July, 1917, Germany will have incurred liability to the allies for an after-the-war indemnity of one hundred and sixty thousand million dollars.

This figure comes today from the pen of Jean Finot, well known French editor, author and statistician, writing in the current number of La Revue, of which he is editor.

"A Peace of a Hundred Years" is the title of the article. This is only possible, the author argues, by forcing Germany to purge herself of future militarism. The remedy—the only remedy—he points out, is an "installment indemnity" to the allies from Germany of about two billion four hundred million dollars a year.

On the theory that German militarism was responsible for the world catastrophe and the German people were responsible for militarism, the author says that the German people should accept the lesson of future peace by paying every cent of the damage. Germany's national wealth before the war was placed at eight hundred millions of dollars. The "installment indemnity" is therefore the way for the allies to exact their toll.

OPENING STOCKS

New York, May 10.—A firmer tone, due to short covering, marked the stock market opening today. Nearly all standard issues which suffered sharp declines yesterday during the heavy liquidation movement were up from fractions to a point and a quarter.

United States Steel opened at 114 1/2, up 1/2. Other steels were likewise stronger, Bethlehem closing at 119 1/2, up 1/2. Industrials were strong, Central Leather being up 1/2 at 83. Marine preferred was up 1/4 at 78 1/2.

Rails were firm, up fractionally with the exception of Southern Pacific which was off 1/4 at 89 1/4.

OPENING

Central Leather 83. Chesapeake and Ohio 59 1/2. Crucible Steel 61. Mexican Petroleum 87 1/2. Norfolk and Western 118 1/2. Republic Iron and Steel 78 1/2. Southern Railway 24. United States Steel 114 1/2. Columbia Gas and Electric 38.

GRAIN OPENING

CHICAGO, May 10.—Grain opening—Wheat, May down 1/2, July up 1/2, September unchanged. Corn, May up 1/4, July down 1/4, September down 1/4. Oats, May down 1/4, July up 1/4, September up 1/4. Provisions slightly higher.

STEAMER SUNK, "PEOPLE OF NOTE" ARE DROWNED

LONDON, May 10.—Loss of a big passenger steamer with 70 persons, including several "people of note" aboard, was announced in a London Chronicle editorial today. The editorial voiced insistent demand that the house of commons explain why the admiralty "pursues its inconsistent policy" of concealing facts.

"About two weeks ago," the editorial declared, "a large steamer was sunk and seventy lives lost, some of them people of note. No news has been published of the disaster."

"Other outrages involving loss of life have been announced and descriptions published. On what principle does the admiralty censorship work?"

Invited by the board to speak to the members, Vrooman agreed with the reservation that he might be "extremely frank."

In an interview, Vrooman said that price fixers and food manipulators were traitors and should be so treated.

WEATHER

Ohio—Fair tonight with frost. southwest portion. Friday fair. Kentucky—Fair tonight and Friday. Little change in temperature. West Virginia—Fair tonight and Friday. Little change in temperature. Frost tonight.

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## SOME WAR TAXES

The lower branch of congress, whence must originate all revenue legislation, has ready for it the first war tax measure. Salient points in it are an increased levy on incomes and inheritances, overtaxing of excess profits, an increase of letter postage and the advance of newspaper rate of one cent a pound to two.

There will be a vast deal of contention over the first three of these, but the advance of letter and newspaper postage should meet with no serious protest, considering the service rendered and the necessity of enlarged income to meet the extraordinary expenses that are to confront the nation for an indefinite time of the future. Just before war was declared a movement to reduce letter postage by half had gained considerable momentum and it is believed the feasibility of reduction was receiving the serious attention of the postoffice department. Of course, the turn of affairs have now put it out of consideration. Increase of newspaper postage, paid by the publisher was proposed and effort made in that direction, but powerful selfish interests fought it so hard that a bill to that effect could never be gotten through congress. That body now promises to do well by doubling the rate, but it should do better, which it can do by eliminating the free mail privilege newspapers and magazines now enjoy, that of having copies carried absolutely free in the counties of publication. To make the case clear, let us state that the Times pays a rate of one cent a pound on the aggregate rate of weight of papers it sends to persons outside the county, but on copies sent to persons living in Scioto county there is absolutely no postage charge whatsoever. One cent a pound outside is said not to pay the government; it is apparent there is nothing to it in carrying the paper inside the county for nothing. It is apparent it should be charged more on outside mailings and at least sufficient to cover the cost inside. A newspaper, or publication of any sort, is no more entitled to governmental favor than any other product or enterprise.

In our view it would be much better for the government to charge the newspaper for all the service rendered it and omit the tax on inheritances. It may be squeamishness in us, but we can't help from feeling that levying a heavy clutch upon a man's estate, just because he dies, isn't a proper, or approvable way of financing a government.

## NOTHING LEFT TO BE SAID

The New York Sun got mad at the New York Evening Post the other day because the Post sneered at some spasm indulged in by the Sun in regard to the U-boat menace and it contracted in small space about as satisfying and comprehensively mean and sarcastic a retort as we have seen in our newspaper experience. Here is what the Sun said and you can judge for yourself:

"The Evening Post, incapable of doing anything itself, without the wish to do anything itself, without the vision or initiative to do anything itself, and true to its pacifist-German policy, sneers at the Sun's article of yesterday morning on the submarine peril—sneers at it on the ground that it is the cry of foolish alarm—sneers as it is wont to sneer, not having the soul to do anything else."

"A sneering newspaper, a pacifist newspaper, an always holier than thou newspaper is of mighty little value to the country at any time, and especially in these critical war times—mighty little value is itself even or to its tiny coterie of readers."

Those of our citizens who have recently journeyed to Cannonsburg say that the burg is so proud of Hotel Hole In The Ground that it is going to be kept right where it is and in the exact state it is for 10, these many years to come. From which we judge that Colonel Marting was deaf, dumb and blind when the royal touchers brigade moved upon him and hinted that he shell out. Why Colonel!

Let us forget—three rusty cannon—"Yo, ho ho and a bottle of rum."

The Register man came down from Ironton on a Sunday boat excursion and laments that he did not get to see two of our celebrities, Catsby Sly and Yaller DeLottelle as they were in jail. Of course. We don't trot out our celebrities for sinful Sunday excursion crowds and so we always tenderly tuck them away on Saturday night where we know nobody can steal them over Sunday.

Ironton is to have a dog catcher with a real uniform, brass buttons, net and a club, to say nothing a little red wagon in which to haul his day's catch of dogs to the city pound. Bully for Ironton. Now we propose that a fence be built around Hotel Hole In The Ground and that it be dedicated as a City Dog Pound. It would be a fine site, convenient to the village loafers and others interested in seeing a lot of dogs beaten or chloroformed to death. And the bones of the hapless victims of Ironton's cruelty would, in time, fill up the yawning chasm which now adorns the principal street of the town.

Jackson county is going some. She had a murder, a shooting scrape, and a first class strike all in one day this week.

All the neighbors in Roonoke are said to be discussing the chicken, the cow, the dog and the cat, which moves us to ask if the the bovine roams free and unmolested over Roonoke's vacant lots and lawns on the grass that grows along plank sidewalks? Aye, more than that, hasn't Roonoke heard the trumpet call that this country is at war and that is the thing that should be in everybody's mind and on his tongue as well?

## THE VICTORY CLAIMING DEPARTMENT IN ACTION



## INTERESTING, MAY BE IMPORTANT

The newly proposed revenue bill, should it be enacted without amendment, would hit newspaper publishing harder than any other business. Of a truth, reading the measure one might readily gain the impression that one of its chief aims was to "sack it" to the press. For in addition to raising newspaper postage anywhere from repealing the total exemption on home county mailings and making it the same as parcel posts—in effect transferring newspapers and periodicals from the second to the third class—it proposes a tax of five percent on all revenues derived from advertising.

What genius evolved this latter proposition is not known. Probably, it is just as well he never be known, as one thing is certain and that is newspapers would lose no time in skinning him alive.

For ourselves we are offering no objections to newspapers being made to pay for mail privileges on the same basis as other interests. Why they should be signaled out, however, for special taxation goes beyond our understanding. To tax them upon payments for advertising—an actually ruinous tax in most instances, since it is five percent on gross receipts, which few publications could stand—is both unreasonable and unjust, since no other industry or business is proposed to so tax.

We have scant fear this particular item will be left in the bill. We are alluding to it merely to show to what queer antics can be performed by the legislative mind and to call the attention of other newspapers to what freaks they are guilty of trying to coin statesmen out of, it being conceded of course, that the fellows who inserted this provision would never have gotten into congress except for the boosting of their party papers.

John Dillon, leader of the Irish party, need not expect to gain any reputation as a prophet by making the prediction that the Irish Americans, in proportion to population, will contribute more recruits to the United States arms than any other race. Anybody can guess that the first time.

We are growing better. That is clear enough in the fact that we are growing more helpful, active and generous in effort and deed to minister unto others. Red Cross headquarters are so submerged with applications for new councils that it almost seems as they never would be able to catch up with and grant them.

Sister Susie can now sew shirts for soldiers to her heart's content.

Yes, sir, you can always find the silver lining if you look hard enough. There will be no pork barrel in this congress.

## NEW-YORK-DAY-BY-DAY

O. O. MCINTYRE.

New York, May 10—No theatrical manager will ever again lure one kopeck from the tightly wound bank roll of Vincent N. Philip, of Racine, Wis. He is now being wafted westward, ho, ho, and his opinion of New York is to be repeated in whispers in the middle of the Atlantic ocean.

He has paid \$5 for nothing tangible in a West Side court. One minute past midnight he appeared at the "Midnight Frolics" on a theatre roof. One of the things he did to insure himself a wild dawn was to lose his ticket. He spoke to everybody about it and one of the last checkers told him that for \$5, the twentieth part of a huge yellow bill, he could sit in the front row of tables and strain his eyes.

Mr. Philip ripped one five from his roll of bills and took his seat. He had digested about two bits worth of music when a waiter strolled up and told him he would have to give up his seat. Mr. Philip, with his eye on the enormous show, asked why, and the waiter explained that unless \$5 was forthcoming he, the waiter, would yank the chair from under Mr. Philip.

After considering the matter fully, Mr. Philip decided to kill a small group of persons, be they ever so few. He had hardly started the proposed carnage when a brigade of waiters removed him, feet up, from the roof. Out of sheer kindness of heart, they carried him down the elevator, instead of dropping him to the police. Mr. Philip paid a \$5 fine for disorderly conduct and asked to be excused from responding to any toast regarding the higher civilization.

Vernon Castle is back in town for a few days on a furlough. He has been making the rounds of the dancers with Mrs. Castle, who is proud of her dancing husband because he gave up the limousine life to drop out little bombs on the Teutons.

Castle visited one dancant the other night with Mrs. Castle. Will Rogers, the larist thrower of Arkansas, was in the crowd. The management had the spotlight turned on Mr. and Mrs. Castle whenever they danced.

Finally Rogers went over to the Castle table and shook hands with the former tango dancer. Then he

provoked a storm of applause by saying: "Ladies and gentlemen, here's one tea bound that went out and made good."

The front pages of the New York newspapers are cluttered up with news of smashing importance each morning, but there is one small item which most New Yorkers look for while the coffee cools. That is about the condition of Mme. Sarah Bernhardt.

New York stood on Fifth avenue all day to watch Joffre, Marshal of France, go by, and most of them wept—tears for the bleeding heart of France. But Joffre is a child by the side of Mme. Bernhardt, more than seventy, wooden-legged, resolute and immortal goddess of all.

She is desperately ill in a New York hospital. She wants to return to her beloved France before she dies. If she can do that she is willing to pass on. And she will, for her wonderful mind has controlled the frail body in many crises and can do it again.

Seen around town: A sailor hesitating at the entrance of the Sunday Tabernacle. Anonymous posters over town reading: "Now is the time to Boost Business." A taxicab chauffeur reading a hymnal. Two children of the rich quarreling on Central Park's Mall. A man with a bandaged head reading a temperance sign. A reformed gangster in evening clothes dining in a Longacre cafe. A woman with imitation cherries as ear-rings. A famous illustrator coming from a burlesque show.

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## Autos Collide

George Purtee's Maxwell touring car and Warner Ricker's Studebaker touring car collided at Fifth and Court streets about noon Wednesday. A rear wheel and fender of the Ricker car were damaged. Ricker is a storekeeper at Harrisonville.

# Rebekah Assembly Closes Tonight; Meeting Is Fine Success

## Reports Show Organization To Be In Splendid Condition

With a splendid entertainment arranged for tonight, the thirty-first annual session of the Ohio Rebekah Assembly will come to a close. One of the most important sessions will be held this afternoon, when the new officers are installed by the retiring president, Mrs. Annie F. McBride, of Cleveland.

Close to 250 out of town Rebekahs have attended the Assembly, one of the most successful ever held. Bertha and Anna Putzke, pianist and violinist, have been placed on tonight's program.

The Assembly session, Wednesday afternoon, was largely attended, sixty-eight delegates being in their places. Assembly legislation was discussed and passed. Most of the afternoon was taken up by the many different Assembly committees, who gave splendid and encouraging reports, showing the order to be in a prosperous condition.

Mrs. E. B. Turner, acting superintendent of the I. O. O. F. home at Springfield, gave an interesting account of the work being carried on at the home. At present there are 312 men, women and children there, ranging in age from 6 months to 89 years. Everything at the home is in a flourishing condition, and great preparations are being made for the hospital and nursery addition that is soon to be built.

Public Memorial Impressive Event  
A public memorial service at four o'clock was impressive. Those taking part were Jeannette Moore, Newark; Jessie Perry, Fayette; Eva Carl, Cardington; Nora Kugy, Findlay, and Gertrude Osborn, Ashland, all Past Grand, and Chaplain Mrs. Jennie Bowers, Cleveland. Two gave eulogies for the two Past Presidents, one for Superintendent E. B. Turner, of the I. O. O. F. home, and two represented the Assembly in general, in commemorating the memory of the deceased of the past year.

Mary Ingham, Past President, who served the Assembly in 1898 and 1899, died at her home in Columbus Jan. 9, 1917. On Jan. 6, 1917, Mrs. Jennie Canfield passed away. She served the Assembly in 1888 and 1889. She designed the present seal of the Ohio Rebekah Assembly.

Superintendent E. B. Turner passed away Jan. 3, 1917, at the I. O. O. F. home in Springfield. Last night only members were admitted to view the beautiful work of the Grand Central-Degree Staff of Columbus Rebekah Lodge No. 699, who conferred the degree on two local candidates, Mrs. Belle Stewart and Miss Mary Johnson.

President Mrs. McBride said at the close of the meeting: "I cannot find words to describe the work put on by the Grand Central Staff." The Grand Central Staff is well known all over the state. They were here three years ago at the I. O. O. F. Grand Encampment. W. H. Anders, of Columbus, is captain of the staff.

The Staff Quarter, composed of Mrs. W. R. Williams, Mrs. Thomas Humphreys, Dr. W. L. Towns and H. Goldstein, rendered several selections during the evening. After the degree work all adjourned to Ben Hur hall, where refreshments were served.

Enter this Mill street house, in which two families live. It has three rooms and a man and wife and two children occupy the front room, in which is only one bed. The woman is ill with pneumonia and her two months old baby, the neighbors say, is breaking out with measles, though the physician has not pronounced it measles.

What chance has this little baby to survive, when there is not even anyone to properly care for its feeding, let alone, living under such conditions? This family would move to better quarters if they were obtainable, as soon as the woman can be moved.

A table and a few old chairs are all the furniture besides the one bed in the one room occupied by this family and there is no place to cook save at the open grate in which are burned coal and wood.

The woman living in the other two rooms says she does some cooking for the first family on her own kitchen stove, especially since the woman has been sick in bed. Paper has been pasted here and there on the walls in an attempt to close the worst breaks in the plastering.

In the second family living in two rooms are five children, the oldest 10 years and the father and mother, making 11 people in this house. Under the kitchen has been a stable and though it is not used at present, it has only been a few weeks since a Times reporter saw a cow being stabled there. The stable has not been cleaned out since.

The five children in the second family have all had measles recently; all recovered.

WANTED:—Young man with experience to sell men's furnishing goods and clothing. Apply at once. Edelson Bros., 306 Chillicothe. 10-nx&11

**VAN GORDER IS AWARDED \$1,200**  
COLUMBUS, Ohio, May 10.—The State Industrial Commission today granted an award to C. E. Van Gorder, of 311 Offshore street, Portsmouth, amounting to \$1,200.00, for an injury resulting in the loss of three fingers of his right hand recently sustained by him while in the employ of the Whitaker-Glessner Co., at Portsmouth.

Medical expenses were also paid from the state insurance fund. The award of the commission was granted under the provisions of the Ohio Workmen's Compensation Law.

Previous to this they had been shipped between Portsmouth and Columbus four times in three weeks. The grandfather, unable to care for the children, whose mother and step-father, "Peg-Leg" Foster, are in Columbus, as far as authorities here know, made an affidavit to that effect. Infirmary Superintendent William Weidner submitted a history of the case of the parents for ten years back, as compiled by Judge Ball, to the Franklin county commissioners. Authorities of Franklin county believe the children have no claim to residence in Scioto county.

**OBITUARY**  
Funeral Wednesday  
Funeral services over the body of George F. Lechner were conducted from the home, 1228 Kinney's lane at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon and 2:30 from the German Evangelical church, the pastor, Rev. Samuel Lindemeyer, being in charge. The pallbearers were Adolph Brunner, H. H. Higgins, Benjamin and Albert Lechner, Jacob Herrmann and Dan Cottle. Interment was in Greenlawn.

**Gun Victim Has Sister Living Here**  
Mrs. E. S. Kent, of 1319 Spring avenue, this city, is at the bedside of her brother, Beverly Gilliland, of Mahoning corner, who was shot and perhaps fatally injured while on his way home from work last Saturday.

Meet Me At Nye's Fountain, 1211

# H. K. PARKER, THIS CITY, WAS ON TORPEDOED SHIP

H. K. Parker, 18, 1201 Front street, corporal in Company K, Seventh Regiment, Ohio National Guards, was one of the two Americans of the crew of the ill-fated Norwegian steamer Dione which was attacked by a German submarine May 2 and sunk by gun fire.

The name was first mentioned in dispatches as H. K. P. Tryer and the city directory failed to reveal such a name. Later the name was corrected.

Three weeks ago, his parents received a post card stating that he expected to leave at once. Shortly after the announcement of the German government that the ruthless submarine program would be reverted to, and orders were received by Capt. W. J. Keyes to recruit the local company to full war strength, Corporal Parker was placed in charge of the recruiting tent, which was erected on the Galia street esplanade.

Corporal Parker also was in charge of the recruiting tent, when there was a call for young men to enlist to help settle the Mexican difficulties.

No direct word has been received by Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Parker the young man's parents.

The young man has one brother, Paul Parker and five sisters, Misses Mary, Ada, Esther, Margaret and Pauline.

Following the purchase of the land, the commissioners will have a shallow channel cut through this land so that the course of the Scioto river, near Lucasville, may be straightened and the eastern approach to the bridge protected from the wash.

Permission to straighten the channel was granted to the commissioners by a special bill passed by the Ohio General Assembly last winter.

One hundred volunteer registrars, who are willing to serve their country on the day that the military census is taken, are wanted by Sheriff E. W. Smith.

Already seventy citizens have signified their intention of assisting with the work. Others desiring to help are requested to telephone or send their names to the sheriff.

Vallee Harold, president of the Portsmouth Branch, National Council of Defense, volunteered the services of himself and the directors. These men are willing to serve in any precinct in the county.

New recruits received are: Albert Freestag, William M. Bolles, E. E. Shively, Lucasville; Ira Shaffer, James P. Brennan, George M. Taylor, C. E. Dowling, J. W. Mitchell, H. C. Murfin, E. G. Miller, David Stadler.

Elks, at their meeting Wednesday night, fittingly revered the memory of one of their departed members, Edward V. Oblinger, who was killed in an automobile accident one week ago today. His name was called, but there was no answer. With heads bowed, the members silently paid tribute to the memory of one whom they had learned to love so dearly and whose life was so cruelly snuffed out.

Secretary Otto B. Maier reported that the lodge had made \$178.15 on the excursions given recently on the Island Queen.

It was also announced that the Home Coming of the Caledonians, held at the home of the Caledonians, had been called off.

**X-Ray Shows Broken Back**  
Several days ago while working in a lumber camp near Doane, W. Va., Hawkins Dean, of 2601 Twentieth street, this city, had a log roll over him and he was badly injured.

He failed to improve and complained of severe pains about the back. He was brought to his home here Tuesday when his entire body was X-rayed. It showed that he had suffered a fracture of the spine and his breast-bone had been fractured. His condition is serious.

**Children Are Returned**  
The three grandchildren of Nicholas Ferguson, Kinney and Thirteenth street, who were sent here by Columbus authorities April 27, have been returned to the Franklin county commissioners.

Previous to this they had been shipped between Portsmouth and Columbus four times in three weeks. The grandfather, unable to care for the children, whose mother and step-father, "Peg-Leg" Foster, are in Columbus, as far as authorities here know, made an affidavit to that effect.

Infirmary Superintendent William Weidner submitted a history of the case of the parents for ten years back, as compiled by Judge Ball, to the Franklin county commissioners. Authorities of Franklin county believe the children have no claim to residence in Scioto county.

**Special Rehearsal**  
A special rehearsal of the cantata, "The Song of Thanksgiving," to be given at the First Presbyterian church, will be held tonight at 7:30. Nelson Weedon will be in charge and urges all members to be on hand promptly.

The latest telephone wires in Portsmouth are those leading to the TIMES WANT AD department. Phone 446.

# Husbands Look On While Wives Fight

A hair cut precipitated a young riot in the North End of the city recently between three women, according to the evidence submitted in police court Wednesday, when four were arraigned on charges of disorderly conduct.

It happened this way, it was generally agreed by the witnesses. Mrs. Cora Hood went over to a grocery store to borrow a pair of clippers. Coming out Mrs. Mollie Campbell made a sarcastic remark about the hair cut.

Words and oaths followed. Mrs. Hood went into her house. Then Mrs. John Ratcliff was called a name by Mrs. Campbell, who walked out into the street and hurled defiance to the world.

The challenge was promptly accepted by Mrs. John Ratcliff. Then the fight began. It lasted several minutes. The husbands of the two women stood and looked on. John Ratcliff acted as referee and refused to stop the bout until his wife came out victor. Mrs. Campbell emerged from the melee with a blacked eye and scratched face.

The Campbell woman was fined \$10, Mrs. John Ratcliff was fined \$10, of which \$5 was suspended and the two husbands were dismissed with a warning.

**CLAIM AGENT FILES APPLICATION**  
J. A. Stanley, assistant claim agent of this division of the N. & W., with headquarters here, has made application to join the Ft. Benjamin Harrison Training Camp at Indianapolis. He will take the physical examination in a few days.

**Edelson Bros. Company Will Quit Business**  
Al Hannel, popular manager of Edelson Bros. company, better known as the New Idea Clothing company, announced Thursday, that his store had disposed of its lease on its present building and would positively quit business in Portsmouth by July 1. It is understood an outside concern had purchased the lease and would open a men's and boys' clothing store. This, however, will not be done until the middle of July, or August first, for the store room, 304 Chillicothe street, will be remodeled throughout. A new front will be installed and changes made in the interior that will make the room one of the most desirable in the city. It is stated on good authority that Chillicothe parties have purchased the lease.

Mr. Hannel states that beginning Saturday, May 12, the Edelson Bros' store will begin a big closing-out sale. The sale is booked to start promptly at 8 o'clock a. m. A large force of courteous sales-people has been engaged to assist Mr. Hannel in disposing of the stock of men's clothing and furnishings.

**Holding Meetings Here**  
Representing the Safety and Efficiency Organization in Ohio, Rev. C. W. Elledge, of Columbus, Mrs. Catherine Gebhardt, of Marion, and Mrs. F. T. Cartwright, of Delaware, are in Portsmouth at their work of instruction in industrial plants in the city. Mrs. Gebhardt's work at this time is especially in the paroled schools. These workers will remain throughout the entire month of May, and perhaps longer. The organization they represent is national in scope.

**Liquor Men To Meet**  
The Scioto County Liquor League will hold an important meeting at 2 o'clock at their headquarters, Second and Court streets, this afternoon. Plans for the fight to be made here by the league against statewide prohibition will be discussed.

**CONGRESS OF NATIONS OF AMERICA IS PLANNED**  
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 10.—Argentine wants a congress of the nations of America. Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Chile, Mexico, Cuba, Peru and Paraguay have accepted the idea thus far.

Just what is behind the meeting is not indicated except from the fact that the meeting was called a "peace congress."

A message from Ambassador Stimson not given out by the state department bureau of foreign "intelligence" says in part: "The proposed congress of American nations to be called upon the initiative of Argentine to meet at Buenos Aires was first called peace congress, then called only a commercial congress, and now called officially congress of the nations of America. The idea has been accepted so far by Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Mexico, Paraguay and Peru, but the invitations are not yet issued."

**Movie Fan Spoils Bold \$5,700 Holdup**  
CHICAGO, May 10.—The fact that Miss Grace Wagner is a movie fan and a student of realism, was held today to be responsible for the capture of three negroes who late yesterday robbed the manager of the Illinois Tool company of \$5,700. The bandits worked so openly that scores of spectators thought it was a movie scene. Miss Wagner, however, saw no camera and jotted down the number of the bandit automobile. This clue later led to their arrest.

**WASHINGTON, D. C., May 10.**  
The American government has assumed the immediate financial burden of Belgian relief by arranging to lend to the French and Belgian governments jointly \$75,000,000 to be expended by the American Belgian relief commission for food to go to Belgium and northern France.

The money will be advanced in monthly installments of \$12,000,000 of which \$7,500,000 will go to Belgium and \$5,000,000 to France. The way has been left open for the commission to apply for more money when the loan is exhausted at the end of six months.

**Wanted 25 men to learn machine trade at assembling gas engines, steady work, day and night, good wages. Reliable Eng. Co. 9-41**

**THE MOVIES**  
ENID BENNETT, IN TRIANGLE PLAY, "THE LITTLE BROTHER."

Don't Miss This at The Columbia Today. Shown in Connection With the "Ray of Melodians"

Enid Bennett, hailed as the most genuine screen "discovery" of the day, makes her second appearance on the Triangle program under the supervision of Thomas H. Ince in "The Little Brother," which will be seen at the Columbia today.

Miss Bennett, in the title role of this production, takes the part of a little girl of the slums, who, thinking these encounters, Enid Bennett add to the family income, does encourage triumphant.

**NAVY RECRUITING STATION OPENED**  
E. Bailey and J. J. Enginger opened a navy recruiting station in the post-office Thursday, and they will

**Car Is Abandoned**  
WAWERLY, O., May 10.—A man was an abandoned Alco touring car who is believed to be Adam Clifton near the city. The machine was detained Wednesday by the W. found in a ditch and was damaged. Very authorities on a charge of speeding. The license number was 34922. After he had entered the basement at the home of John Daniels.

Clifton told the marshal that there

**Hip Fractured In Fall Out Of Bed**  
Mrs. Rebecca Simpson, aged 71, while getting out of bed this morning, fell to the floor and fractured her hip. So serious is her condition that relatives have